

# MISSOURI POET LAUREATE 2010 APPLICATION

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Education:

<i>High School</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>Year Graduated</i>
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<i>Postsecondary Education</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>Certificate/Degree Received</i>
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Please describe in what publication(s), and in what year(s) your poetry has been published:

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Please describe your activities in the poetry community over the last five (5) years (e.g., groups or publications in which you have been active):

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Have you or your spouse at any time belonged to any membership organization that, as a matter of policy or practice, denied or restricted membership or affiliation based on race, sex, disability, ethnic background, religion, or sexual orientation, or has been subject to a claim that it has done so?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide details.

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Have you ever been convicted of a crime, other than a minor traffic violation? If so, please identify and describe each such arrest, charge, or conviction. (Do not include traffic offenses for which the fine was less than \$100.)

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide details.

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Is there anything in your or your spouse's background that might become an embarrassment to you, your family, or the Governor if it were to become public? Please consider carefully any letters to the editor, blog posts, etc., which you or your spouse may have authored, even anonymously.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain.

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Have you or your spouse ever had any association with any person, group, or business venture that could be used, even unfairly, to discredit or attack your character and qualifications?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please describe.

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Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide details.

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If you wish, please provide any additional information you would like considered in connection with your application for appointment as Missouri's next Poet Laureate:

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Please document your eligibility by circling "Yes" or "No" in response to the following questions:

YES	NO	I am a resident of the State of Missouri.
YES	NO	I am a published poet, and am active in the poetry community.
YES	NO	I am willing and available to promote poetry in Missouri over the next 2 years.
YES	NO	I am the single creator of the works of poetry I am submitting.
YES	NO	I am at least 18 years of age.
YES	NO	If selected, the Office of the Governor of the State of Missouri and his designees have my permission to use my work sample or a portion thereof, my likeness, and my biographical information for publicity purposes.

**If you answered "No" to any of the above criteria, you are NOT eligible to serve as Missouri Poet Laureate.**

I certify that I meet all eligibility requirements listed herein for appointment as Missouri Poet Laureate, and that all the information in this Application and its attachments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I have submitted a complete application.

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

**In addition to completing application, you must submit a current resume (not a biography) AND three (3) representative works of your poetry to:**

Office of Governor Jeremiah "Jay" Nixon  
ATTN: Boards and Commissions  
Post Office Box 720  
Jefferson City, MO 65101  
Fax: 573-751-1495  
E-mail: [boards@mo.gov](mailto:boards@mo.gov) (.pdf format only)

**ALL SUBMISSIONS, COMPLETE WITH ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS, MUST BE RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2010 TO BE CONSIDERED.**

Questions? Please contact our office: 573-751-5293.